

City of Goodyear INFOCUS

October 2007

Connecting You with Your City

Goodyear's G.A.I.N. Event

**This Saturday, October 20
5 to 8 p.m. at Goodyear Community Park
3151 N. Litchfield Road**



There's no better time or place to meet your neighbors than this year's G.A.I.N. (Getting Arizona Involved in Neighborhoods) event. Representatives from more than a dozen Goodyear neighborhoods will gather in the park to promote safer neighborhoods and strengthen communities.

Canvases painted by neighborhood volunteers and students from Agua Fria and Desert Edge high schools will announce each neighborhood's location in the park – Canada Village, Canyon Trails, Cottonflower, Estrella, Estrella Vista, Historic Goodyear, North Subdivisions, Palm Valley I, II & III, Rancho Mirage, Sarival Village, Sunrise at Wigwam and Wildflower. Even if your neighborhood isn't represented, please come!

This year's event promises to be a smash hit with the addition of magic shows, art contests and raffle prizes!

- Marvel at Master Magician Patrick Wallace's show filled with family fun, magic and illusions.
- Don't miss "Taste of Goodyear" offering tasting samples from 10 local restaurants: Bill Johnson's, It's a Grind, El Paso BBQ, Macayo's, Mimi's Café, Papa John's Pizza, TCBY, Salad Creations, Val's Brazilian Cuisine, and Wildflower Bakery.
- Enjoy free hot dogs and drink (while supplies last).
- Try bouncy rides, sidewalk chalk art and the drawing art contest.
- See K-9 demonstrations and learn safety, crime prevention and recycling tips from our Police, Fire, Water, Sanitation and Community Services departments.
- Win raffle prizes such as two round-trip airline tickets, dinners, PIR tickets, certificates, watches, gift baskets, emergency kits.

See page 3 for a list of the neighborhood volunteers who put this event together with the City's Community Services Department.



Goodyear would like to thank its generous sponsors for making this event possible

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Bring Household Hazardous Waste to City Hall

Saturday, November 3 from 8 a.m. to noon

**Goodyear City Hall Parking Lot at 190 N. Litchfield Rd.
For Goodyear, Avondale and Tolleson residents only.
Call Public Works at 623-932-1637 for more information.**

Items that are accepted

- Adhesives
- Aerosols
- Anti-Freeze
- Art & Hobby Supplies
- Automotive Glue
- Automotive Products
- Bait
- Batteries (automotive or household)
- Brake Fluid
- Brake Sprays
- Carburetor Cleaners
- Caulking
- Charcoal Lighters
- Household Cleaners & Waxes
- Compressor Oils
- Correction Fluids
- Cutting Oils
- Engine Degreasers
- Fertilizers
- Fire Extinguishers
- Flammables
- Fluorescent Tubes
- Fuel Additives
- Fungicides
- Gardening Supplies
- Gasoline
- Herbicides
- Injector Sprays
- Insecticides
- Kerosene
- Lacquers
- Linseed Oil
- Lubricants
- Metal Conditioners
- Mineral Spirits
- Motor Oil
- Nail Polish & Removers
- Oil Filters
- Paint-related Material
- Paint Removers
- Photography Chemicals
- Poisons
- Primers
- Propane Tanks
- Rubbing Alcohol
- Rug & Upholstery Cleaners
- Sealers
- Shoe Polishes
- Smoke Detectors
- Solvents
- Spot Removers
- Wood Stains
- Thermometers
- Thermostats
- Tires

Electronics are now accepted

- Anything with a circuit board
- Computer Monitors and Peripherals
- Home and Car Stereos (not speakers)
- Cell Phones
- Televisions
- DVD Players and VCRs
- Cable Boxes

Items that are NOT accepted

- 55-Gallon Drums of Waste
- Air Conditioners
- Ammunition
- Appliances
- Biological Waste
- Commercial/Industrial Waste
- Explosives
- Food Waste
- Glass
- Infectious Wastes
- Large Truck Tires
- Passenger Tires with Rims
- Medical Waste
- Metals
- Papers / Newspapers
- Plastics
- Radioactive Waste
- Refrigerators
- Solid Waste for Landfills
- Stoves / Ovens
- Syringes
- Water Heaters

This event is for residential hazardous waste only. Commercial waste will not be accepted.

Proof of residency is required such as driver's license, or utility bill (in Goodyear, garbage collection bill is preferred).

Materials should be tightly sealed in their original containers, if possible. Glass containers should be wrapped to avoid breakage. Materials should be transported in a cardboard box in the trunk or truck bed of vehicles.

Personnel will be available at the event to identify and unload materials.

Howling Halloween Bash

**Saturday, October 27
5 to 8:30 p.m.
Goodyear Community Park
3151 N. Litchfield Rd.**

Have a howling good time at this goulsh event! Haunted Maze, Trick or Treat Walk, rides, bouncers, pumpkin decorating (pick out your own pumpkin for \$3), carnival games with prizes, cake walk (\$1), yummy food vendors, costume contest and DJ. Lots of fun for all!

Free parking and shuttle from Estrella Mountain Community College at Thomas and Dysart roads. For more information, call 623-882-7534.

Costume Contest

Ages:	Contest begins at:
2 and under	5:30 p.m.
3 - 4	6:00 p.m.
5 - 6	6:30 p.m.
7 - 8	7:00 p.m.
9 - 10	7:20 p.m.
11 - 17	7:40 p.m.
18 and over	8:00 p.m.



FREE EVENT

Pumpkin Fest at Estrella Benefits Charity

Newland Communities invites all Goodyear residents to attend one of its premiere charity events, the Life is good® Pumpkin Festival in Estrella from noon to 6 p.m., Saturday, October 20. A perfect fall event for the whole family – enjoy delicious treats, face painting, a costume parade, live music, gourd bowling, scarecrow stuffing, sack races and a pumpkin carving contest.



Glow Heart Pumpkins can be purchased at the festival for \$10 each or online at newlandpumpkinfestival.com.

These pumpkins are carved with a heart, set around the lake and lit as a touching tribute to a loved one or to honor someone living with a life-threatening illness.

All proceeds will benefit Phoenix Children's Hospital and Home Aid. For more information, call 623-386-1000.

Save the Date! Holly Jolly Festival

**Saturday, December 1, 2007
5 to 8:30 p.m.
Community Park**



GAIN Volunteers Put It All Together!

A big round of applause goes to all the following community leaders on the 2007 G.A.I.N. Committee for all their hard work! Without them there would not be a G.A.I.N. event!

Gary Abel, Dave Alexander, Mike Alvarez, Teo Beam, Kelly Beeby, Kim Bendon, Donna and Ken Beuthin, Steffie Brouillette, Frank and Joanne Carroll, Norma Chastain, Bob Clymer, Erika Faulk, Rose Fischer, Rick Goodin, Anne Hansen, Beth Hartig, Maxine Hill, Lisa Juarez, Susan Lutz, Nancy McFillin, Roy Perry, John Robinson, Dave Schock, Brenda and Stan Sharp, Kim Tengler, and Barbara Urena.





Mayor James Cavanaugh

From the Mayor City Center Becoming a Reality

After a great deal of planning over the past four years, the civic portion of the City Center is well on its way to becoming a reality! Our dream of building a downtown from the ground up is moving now as a result of three key actions. We have begun the process of finding a developer for the civic portion of the City Center, a developer for the Performing Arts Center, and our consultants, HDR, have developed a master plan for the city-owned, 40-acre civic quadrant of the City Center and the adjacent city-owned 100 acres.

In late September, we prepared a Request for Qualifications (RFQ) for a master developer to build our City Center in a very unique public/private partnership where we will give the developer a Ground Lease Option Agreement for site control and the exclusive right to develop the City Center for a period of time. There is also the possibility of building leases.

In order to heighten culture in our city and build a Performing Arts Center much earlier than we would be able to do on our own, we also prepared an RFQ for a developer to build and manage a Performing Arts Center in the civic portion of the City Center.

We are expecting to end up with a grand City Center project, so we are reaching out in a grand way. We are asking developers *worldwide* to compete to develop the future focal point of our City. From the RFQ responses, we will choose three developers to submit proposals to us. Much work will have to go into these proposals, so we are offering a \$50,000 stipend to the two finalists that do not win the competition. This is fairly standard practice for a project of this magnitude and guarantees the best possible proposals will be submitted.

Because this is one of the foremost development opportunities of this era, we expect great developer interest in our project. All of the degrees for success are present: our ownership of the land, our offer of a unique public/private partnership, our commitment to only high quality development throughout our city plus great market strength.

While growth rates are slowing somewhat, Goodyear is and will remain one of the premier cities in the Valley for development. We have also demonstrated our ability to attract nationwide investment in our community as evidenced by the recruitment of universities from Illinois, Texas and New Hampshire, the Cleveland Indians Spring Training ballpark and practice facilities, and the national Cancer Treatment Center of America.

The chosen master developer will follow the Northwest Master Plan. This flexible plan was presented to the City Council at our October 9th meeting. It takes all the elements of City Center Specific Area Plan into account and refines it to include key factors that have entered our market place in the last year – two private universities. Based on our agreements to provide 30 acres each to the University of the Incarnate Word and Franklin Pierce University for future campuses within the 100-acre parcel, HDR incorporated two campuses and a 40-acre neighborhood park into the City Center Northwest Master Plan.

The City Center Northwest Master Plan has some spectacular features. A half-mile long, 400-foot wide grassy mall with water features throughout separating the two college campuses and leading to our neighborhood park that will be adjacent to Wildflower Ranch. It incorporates all of the civic elements we need – a City administration building, a Council Chambers, a public library, a multi-generational center, grand public spaces with water features for civic events and activities, mixed-use commercial buildings with parking garages, and a performing arts center.

You can take an indepth look into the elements of the Northwest Master Plan in the center spread of this edition of INFOCUS. I'm sure you'll be as pleased with it as we are. But, as all plans are meant to do, it will keep changing as the developer becomes involved. We will keep you informed of our progress along the way. We're fast-tracking this project to bring it to fruition as soon as we can so you can enjoy its amenities. After all, we wouldn't be where we are today without the thousands of hours of input by hundreds of you – our residents. This City Center is *your* vision.

Jim

Goodyear Seeks Citizens to Serve on New Commissions and Committees

An easy, electronic application form is available on our website: www.goodyearaz.gov. Click on Boards, Commissions and Ad Hoc Committees on the menu to see all citizen participation possibilities. Deadlines for applications for each commission/committee are online. Even if you have already filled out a citizen participation form, it is necessary to fill out the new electronic application to be eligible. If you do not have internet and need a hard copy mailed, please call 623-882-7781

Goodyear Higher Education Advisory Committee

This 15-member Committee will support and promote the City's universities initiative. The Committee shall serve as a forum for education and economic development policy discussion. The Committee shall periodically present findings and recommendations to the City Council. The Committee shall serve as advisors to the Mayor and Council and assist in identifying assets, resources and incentives appropriate for implementation of Goodyear's higher education strategy.

Open positions: Two positions for Goodyear residents. The remaining 13 positions will include one delegate from the Youth Commission; three ex-officio members: the Mayor, a Councilmember, the Economic Development Director or their designees; and nine positions to represent the universities, business, and other government-related interests.

Term: After two years, the Council will re-evaluate the Committee's role.

Sister Cities Commission

This 15-member Commission will promote global economic development and encourage cross-cultural interaction. The Commission shall serve as a forum for policy discussion including, but not limited to:

- developing a candidate(s) for a Sister City that would be a good match for the interests of Goodyear, and
- developing an event to provide cultural enrichment to the lives of our citizens.

The Commission shall serve as advisors to the City Council by periodically presenting findings and recommendations to the Council and shall also assist in identifying resources and requirements to implement its plans.

Open positions: 11 positions for Goodyear residents. The remaining four positions will include a delegate from the Youth Commission and three ex-officio members: the Mayor, a Councilmember and the Economic Development Director, or designees.

Term: two or three years. To stagger membership, the formation group shall have six members with three-year terms and five members with two-year terms. Term limit: two.

Arizona Centennial Committee for Goodyear

The State of Arizona celebrates its 100-year birthday on February 14, 2012. This 20-member Committee will be charged with identifying and developing legacy projects, and making recommendation to the City Council for planning, promoting and organizing such projects. Final approval of legacy projects, including appropriation of the earmarked funds or any additional funds, shall be made by majority vote of the Mayor and Council.

Open positions: 18 Goodyear residents plus two positions for Councilmembers, acting as Chair and Vice Chair.

Term: two or three years. Nine members each appointed to a two- or three-year term. Term limit: two.

Youth Commission

A 20-member Youth Commission serves two purposes:

- providing a venue for students to develop leadership skills through involvement in city government, and
- creating a format for students to discuss how city government can be more responsive to youth needs and interests and have a voice in youth programming, recreation opportunities, and special events.

The City Council will give the Youth Commission a charge to structure its mission and purpose.

Open positions: 20 Goodyear residents, who are high school students within or outside municipal boundaries. Students may be home-schooled.

Term: One or two years. To stagger membership, the formation group shall have 10 members with one-year terms, and 10 members with two-year terms. Term limit: two.

First-Ever Arts Commission Appointed

The newly appointed members of the first Goodyear Arts & Culture Commission are pictured from left to right: Norma Cunningham, Bernadette Mills, Bruce Birnel, Mayor Jim Cavanaugh, Chairperson Brenda Bernardi,

April Wesley, Bonnie Moestert, Leslie Williams-Nichols and City Staff liaison Lilianna Schuett.

Commission members not pictured: Julie Barker and Alexander Kohli.



City Center Northwest Master Plan

Includes 140 Acres: Civic Quadrant Universities and Park



City Center Specific Area Plan Plus Key New Factors

The Specific Area Plan (S.A.P.) was adopted in September 2006. A great deal of public input went into developing the four quadrants that cover the 200 acres. The S.A.P. regulates quadrant land uses, zoning, infrastructure standards and building design standards. The S.A.P. is the basis of the Northwest Master Plan. Since its adoption, new key factors have emerged – the two universities we recruited and the Cleveland Indians Spring Training Ballpark. These projects will be adjacent to the four-quadrant City Center.

How Does the Northwest Civic Quadrant Compare in Size to Existing Valley Developments?



40-acre Northwest Civic Quadrant



Kierland Commons, Scottsdale Rd.



Completed portion of Westgate in Glendale

Model of the 40-acre quadrant looking north from Yuma Road

The tall building at the left is City Hall with the multi-generational center next to it to the north. The library and performing arts center are adjacent to the university to allow for possible shared usage. The other buildings ringing the large grassy civic space where community activities and events will take place are a mix of office and retail with parking garages and possible residential on top. Grassy rooftops are shown that would enhance residential living.



Model of the 100-acre tract looking west from Estrella Parkway down the "Great Mall"

This grassy mall divides the two university campuses so they will have their own identities, yet will be usable by both. The mall, which shows water features running throughout, leads to the neighborhood park that could include a lake, ballfields and many other uses.



Northwest City Center Master Plan

The Northwest Master Plan includes the original 40-acre civic quadrant owned by the City plus the 100-acre tract to the north that the City also owns. Originally planned for a 100-acre park, this tract to the north will now house campuses for University of the Incarnate Word and Franklin Pierce University as well as a scaled-down 40-acre neighborhood park adjacent to Wildflower Ranch.

The 40-acre civic parcel is designed to include a City Hall and Council Chambers, a multi-generational center, a public library, a performing arts center, a large civic plaza for activities, a mixed-use office/retail/residential building with parking garages and an inner ring road. A model of the 140-acre area looking northwest from the intersection of Estrella Parkway and Yuma Road is shown below.



140-acre area looking northwest from the intersection of Estrella Parkway and Yuma Road

Plans Must Be Flexible

Plans must be able to change as new market/economic factors come into play over the years. Goodyear is currently seeking a master developer to partner with the City on the 40-acre civic quadrant. This City Center Northwest Master Plan will form the base of that development, but major aspects of the plan could change as the developer becomes involved.

Airline Magazine Showcases Goodyear

More than five million monthly travelers on U.S. Airways in October will learn about Goodyear when they read the October issue of U.S. Airways magazine containing a nine-page section on Goodyear. The 2,000-word article entitled "Goodyear: Breaking New Ground" was free to the City thanks to the advertising contributions of seven companies that partnered with us: Vestar, Newland Communities, Suncor, Evergreen Devco, Wigwam Golf Resort and Spa, Rose Properties Southwest and University of the Incarnate Word. Written by the City's Communications Office, the article will be read by travelers who hopefully will be enticed to visit Goodyear, eventually move here or relocate their business to our community. The nine-page section is available on the City's website homepage under "Latest News."



Fire Station Opens in Mobile

Residents of the Mobile area of Goodyear are invited to a Grand Opening of the new Goodyear Fire Station 187 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Saturday, November 10 at 42960 S. 99th Ave. (Northwest corner of SR238 and 99th Ave.). Montage Holdings, developer of the future Amaranth community in the Sonoran Valley, is hosting this event with food and refreshments provided.

This temporary station facility will house Goodyear fire crews with space for police until the population in the area warrants a full-service, permanent fire station. Montage Holdings is paying for the fire facility per a development agreement negotiated with the City when Goodyear agreed to annex the area. The agreement ensures that the developer and growth revenues will pay the City's costs to service the area for a number of years.

Agendas for all Goodyear regular Council meetings and worksessions will be posted outside this facility for any residents who want to attend or watch the meetings on the internet at the Mobile Elementary School.

Groundbreaking! Goodyear Fire Station 185 in PebbleCreek

Goodyear's City Council broke ground for Fire Station 185 at the entrance to PebbleCreek's Tuscany Falls community on October 1, 2007. This heralds the coming of Goodyear's fifth fire station which will help decrease Fire's response time to calls as our population grows in the northern section of our city. The building is expected to be completed by May 2008. The station will house a four-person engine company consisting of two Firefighter/Paramedics and two Firefighter/EMTs.



Fire Chief Mark Gaillard, Councilmember Brenda Holland, Vice Mayor Rob Antoniak, Councilmember Georgia Lord, LEA Architect Larry Enyart, Safety Committee member Wally Campbell and Deputy City Manager Jim Nichols break ground for Goodyear Fire Station 185.



Vice Mayor Rob Antoniak



The Osborne Family:
Back: Brennan, Kyle, Ken,
Front: Ken's Mother Vera,
Autumn, Jade and Joanne

YMCA Honors Councilmember Osborne and Family

The family of Councilmember Joanne Osborne and her husband Ken were honored October 9th by the Valley of the Sun YMCA as one of its Families of the Year. The Osbornes represented the Southwest Valley Regional YMCA as its Family of the Year. Each branch in the Valley chooses a family that makes considerable contributions to their community and that branch.

The Osborne family was one of the founding families of the branch in Goodyear. Joanne has been a leader of a teen program and her children have been active in youth programs and also volunteered at the Y. The Osbornes are consistent contributors to the Y's fundraising events.

Shop Local! Shop Goodyear!

If you are a new business or are interested in doing business in Goodyear, please contact the City of Goodyear Economic Development Department at 623-932-3025.

Coming Soon!

Goodyear Centerpointe
NEC PebbleCreek & I-10
Mervyns (OPEN!), BevMo!, Circuit City, Olive Garden, Red Lobster, Sport Chalet, Toys R Us/Babies R Us

The Market At Estrella Falls
NEC PebbleCreek & McDowell
Basha's, Staybridge Suites Hotel, Razmataz, Shoe Pavilions, TJ Maxx, Homegoods, Staples, Chase Bank, Danny's Family Carwash

Estrella Falls Regional Mall
NWC Bullard & McDowell
Coach, Dillards, Harkins Theatres, White House/Black Market, Chico's, Industrial Rideshop

At Home District
SEC Bullard & McDowell
BJ's Brewery, Design Source, Ethan Allen, P.F. Changs

PebbleCreek Village Marketplace
NWC PebbleCreek & I-10
Arizona Tile, BedMart, Burger King

Cobblestone Creek
NWC PebbleCreek & McDowell
Culver's Frozen Custard & Butterburgers, Shasta Pools

Estrella Professional Center
SWC Estrella & Roosevelt
Goodyear Dental Care

Parkway Village
SWC Estrella & Roosevelt
Azure Nails & Spa, China Grill, Comfort Inn & Suites, Pizza Hut Wing Street, Robek's Smoothies, Starbucks

Canyon Trails Professional Center
SWC Estrella & Roosevelt
Estrella Family Medicine

Now Open!

American Family Insurance
14555 W. Indian School Rd., Suite 440

AAA Insurance and Travel Sales Office
790 N. Estrella Parkway, Suite C

Bruno's Pizza & Wings
14130 W. Indian School Rd.

Burger King
3490 N. Litchfield Rd.

Gail's Furniture
14190 W. Van Buren St.

Ground Control Coffee & Wine Bar
14140 W. Indian School Rd., Suite B-1

LSH Lights
560 N. Bullard Ave., Suite 55/56

Mervyns
15305 W. McDowell Rd.

Service Master
580 N. Bullard Ave., Suite 69

Don't Forget Bullard Avenue Businesses

Road construction can cause slow times for affected businesses. We encourage you to use the following local businesses while Bullard Avenue is closed under I-10: Goodyear Commerce Center, Snyders of Hanover, Southwest Specialties. You can access these businesses from Van Buren Street.



destinationgoodyear.com Directs Site Selectors to Goodyear

Goodyear has created an independent economic development website to help site selectors, retailers and developers easily navigate their way through the information most pertinent to them. With the advent of the internet, economic development professionals are using websites as their key marketing tool.

The new site which can also be reached via the City's official website (www.goodyearaz.gov/ecdev):

- Serves a market outside of Goodyear
- Gives Goodyear a greater presence in the development community
- Gears content specifically toward economic development professionals
- Features interactive maps for retail and residential communities
- Includes site sheets for retail, office and industrial developments



Groundbreaking! Goodyear Spring Training Ballpark and Recreational Sports Complex

Baseball hall-of-famer and former Cleveland Indians pitcher Bob Feller along with VIPs from the City of Goodyear and the Cleveland Indians turned dirt on Goodyear's Spring Training Ballpark and Recreational Sports Complex on Monday, September 17. The groundbreaking was held south of Yuma Road and east of Estrella Parkway between the site of the ballpark to be completed by February 2009 and the 52-acre site of the clubhouse and practice fields to be completed by summer 2008. Special thanks to the Desert Edge High School Band and all who attended.



Goodyear Mayor Jim Cavanaugh



Interim City Manager Brian Dalke, Councilmembers Joanne Osborne, Georgia Lord, and Dick Sousa, Mayor Jim Cavanaugh, Vice Mayor Rob Antoniak and Councilmember Frank Cavalier break ground at the site of Goodyear's Spring Training Ballpark and Recreational Sports Complex.



Cleveland Indians Hall-of-famer Bob Feller digs some dirt and throws the first pitch to Goodyear Little League All-star John Berroth.

Goodyear Fire Department Celebrates the Addition of Six Firefighters

The Fire Department held a badge pinning ceremony on September 28, 2007 to celebrate and acknowledge the addition of six firefighters to the Goodyear Fire Department and one to the Tolleson Fire Department.

The pinning ceremony is a time-honored tradition in which each firefighter is presented the official badge of the department. Family members participate by pinning the badge onto the firefighter.

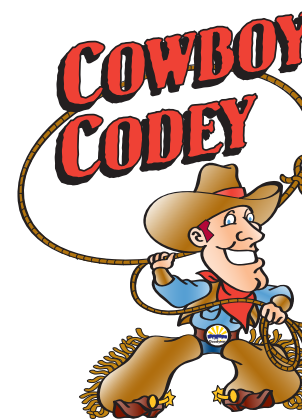
The members of Academy 07-1 completed a rigorous training course at which they gained the knowledge and skills required to become full-fledged firefighters. These firefighters were successful in meeting the challenges of a demanding process that included a physical fitness evaluation, written test and interviews. This is the fourth, full-time fire academy conducted by Goodyear to meet the needs of the community.

Academy 07-1:
Dan Freiberg, Neil Roberts,
Oscar Navarro, Gilbert Aguirre,
Colin McGrath, Cyrus Slovek
and Tolleson firefighter
Bodie Grimm



Goodyear Accepting Applications For 2008-09 Community Funding

Applications for Goodyear's Community Funding program are due much earlier than in past years. To better fit into the City's budgeting process, applications must be into the City by November 30, 2007 at 5 p.m. for programs needing funding between July 1, 2008 and June 30, 2009. Goodyear's Community Funding program provides direct monetary grants to agencies and organizations that provide health, human services and quality of life programs for Goodyear residents. For more information or to download an application, visit the City's website: www.goodyearaz.gov.



Cowboy Codey Sez: We're Stompin' Out Graffiti with a New Graffiti Ordinance

Recent acts of graffiti vandalism are of great concern to the City of Goodyear.

Spray painting public and private property without permission hurts everyone: businesses, homeowners, schools, and citizens. Research shows graffiti:

- Contributes to lost revenue associated with reduced ridership on transit systems, reduced retail sales, and declines in property value
- Results in more graffiti, vandalism, and crime
- Increases public fears about safety in their community.

On Tuesday, October 9, 2007 the City of Goodyear passed a new ordinance that will give the City additional tools to stop graffiti. The new ordinance:

- Requires graffiti to be removed within 48 hours
- Makes possession of graffiti implements by youth under the age of 18 without permission an illegal act
- Requires spray paint and other graffiti implements will need to be locked up by retailers.

The City will be working with schools, businesses, and community groups to help keep our city free of graffiti. Research shows that removing graffiti within 48 hours is one of the most effective ways to deter graffiti. It sends a message that graffiti vandalism will not be tolerated. Please join with the City to stop graffiti vandalism.

To learn more, visit www.graffitihurts.org.

Jobs with the City of Goodyear

Visit the City of Goodyear website at www.goodyearaz.gov or call the City's 24-hour hotline, 623-932-1716, for listings. The Human Resources Office is located at City Hall, 190 N. Litchfield Rd. Phone: 623-882-7765 or 623-882-7762. TTY: 623-932-6500. EEO/M/F/V/H/D. Goodyear accepts applications only for open positions.

Council meetings and work sessions are held in the Goodyear Justice Facility, 986 S. Litchfield Rd. unless indicated otherwise.

Holiday Schedule

City Offices Closed:

Veterans Day
Monday, November 12

Thanksgiving
Thursday, November 22
Friday, November 23

Garbage, Recycling and Bulk Trash Collection Schedule:

There is no sanitation collection on November 12. Following Veterans Day, pickup that week for garbage, recycling and bulk trash will switch to the day after your normal scheduled pickup day.

There is no sanitation collection on Thanksgiving, November 22. Pickup normally scheduled for November 22 will be on Friday, November 23. Pickup normally scheduled for November 23 will be on Saturday, November 24.

City Offices Closed Friday, Nov. 9 at 11 a.m.

for an in-service meeting for City employees. Emergency personnel will remain on duty to ensure the health and safety of Goodyear residents.

The APS office in the lobby of City Hall at 190 N. Litchfield Rd. will be open from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. for residents who wish to pay their electric, cable and municipal services bills.

Goodyear City Council Calendar



Brenda Holland, Frank Cavalier, Vice Mayor Rob Antoniak, Mayor Jim Cavanaugh, Dick Sousa, Georgia Lord and Joanne Osborne

Monday, October 22, 2007
Regular Meeting - 6 p.m.

Tuesday, November 13, 2007
Work Session - 5 p.m.
Regular Meeting - 6 p.m.

Monday, November 26, 2007
Regular Meeting - 6 p.m.

Monday, December 3, 2007
Regular Meeting - 6 p.m.

Monday, December 10, 2007
Regular Meeting - 6 p.m.

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Holiday Fill-a-Need Program

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Hard times can fall on anyone. Families may experience difficulty due to circumstances beyond their control such as illness, a death in the family, and loss of employment. City of Goodyear employees would like to make sure such families receive gifts at the holidays. If you know of such a Southwest Valley family or feel your own family would qualify, please contact the City at 623-882-7081 or gyneed@goodyearaz.gov. Be sure to include name, e-mail address and phone number.



All applications for help must be received at the City by November 5th. Families qualifying after being interviewed will then be contacted by a team of City employees who will make the final selection for the Fill-a-Need Program. Each family member and their holiday list will be shown anonymously on an electronic "Holiday Tree" from which City employees can select gifts to give. Citizens and organizations in the community are invited to participate along with Goodyear employees by donating new toys in their original packaging. Cash donations are also welcome and go towards buying gifts for those family members whose needs are not filled by employees. Public donations will be accepted at the lobby counter on the first floor of the Goodyear City Hall, 190 N. Litchfield Rd.

City employees wrap all of the gifts and then deliver them personally to each family just before Christmas. As many as 30 families in one year have been helped. For more information, please call 623-882-7081. 🌟

Police Offer VIN Etching

Saturday, October 20 from 8 a.m. to noon

Target parking lot, 1515 N. Litchfield Rd.

When a vehicle is stolen, the thief must change its identity by changing the VIN (Vehicle Identification Number) plate on the dashboard. With VIN etching, the original number still appears on all the windows. This causes the thief to also replace all the glass, which is too much work, an extra cost, and unpopular with auto parts buyers – making your vehicle less attractive to the thief. VIN etching takes about 10-15 minutes per car and uses a stencil and glass etching cream. The etched number is small, only affects the top surface of the glass, and does not make it weaker. 🌟

2nd Annual Guns vs. Hoses Football Game

Goodyear Police Officers Association vs. United Goodyear Firefighters Association
November 17, 2007 at 12:30 p.m.

Desert Edge High School
15778 W. Yuma Rd.

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